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RULES AND ORDERS.

Of the Officers, and Manner of their Election.

THERE ſhall be one Preſident, ten Vice-Preſidents, a Secretary, an Aſſiſtant Secretary, a Regiſter, and a Collector of the Subſcription Money; which Officers ſhall be elected by Ballot, on the firſt Tueſday in March annually: And on that Day no other Buſineſs ſhall be tranſacted.

In order to this Election the Preſident, one of the Vice-Preſidents, or, in their Abſence, ſome

other Member appointed by the Majority, ſhall take the Chair at Eleven of the Clock in the Forenoon; and after chuſing three or more Scrutineers (the Number to be determined by the Preſident or preſiding Member) by holding up of Hands, the balloting Glaſs ſhall be placed before the Chair, and ſtand open for receiving Liſts until Two of the Clock in the Afternoon: At which Hour the Ballot ſhall be cloſed.

A ſufficient Number of printed Balloting Liſts of all the Officers in being, according to the Form annexed (A), ſhall be ready; in which if any Member chuſes an Alteration, he is to ſtrike his Pen acroſs the printed Name or Names of ſuch as he diſapproves, and write on the blank Side the Name or Names of ſuch as he would ſubſtitute in their Place.

Each Member ſhall deliver his Liſt, folded up, to the Preſident, or preſiding Member, to put into the Glaſs: And a Scrutineer, ſitting on each Side of the Chair, with a Liſt of the Members before him, ſhall mark the Name of each Member ſo delivering in his Liſt.

When the Ballot is cloſed, one of the Scrutineers ſhall open and read aloud each Liſt, and file it, while the other two or more mark the Names; and when all the Liſts are drawn, the marking Scrutineers ſhall caſt up and report the ſame to the Chair; after which the Preſident, Vice-Preſident, or preſiding Member, ſhall declare the Perſons who have the Majority of Votes to be the Officers reſpectively for the enſuing Year.——

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Such Election ſhall likewiſe be declared again at the next Meeting of the Society.

If the Preſident, or any of the Vice-Preſidents, ſhall reſign or die, the remaining Vice-Preſidents ſhall continue to act and preſide at the Meetings of the Society, in the Order they are placed in the Election Liſt, until the next annual Meeting for the Choice of Officers, or ſome other general, or extraordinary general Meeting, which the Society ſhall pleaſe to appoint for ſuch particular Election.

If any of the Offices of Secretary, Aſſiſtant Secretary, Regiſter, or Collector, ſhall become vacant; a Perſon ſhall be appointed at the next Meeting of the Society, to act in ſuch reſpective Office of Secretary, Aſſiſtant Secretary, Regiſter, or Collector, until the next general Meeting, or an extraordinary general Meeting, which ſhall be appointed for electing a Perſon by Ballot to fill the vacant Office for the remaining Part of the Year.

At all Elections of Officers, if the Suffrages ſhould be equal, the Deciſion ſhall be by Lots prepared by the Scrutineers, and drawn by the Preſident, Vice-Preſident, or preſiding Member.

Notice of the annual, or of any occaſional Election of Officers, ſhall be publiſhed three different Days, in ſuch News Papers as the Society ſhall order, one Week at leaſt before the Day of Election.

Notwithſtanding

Notwithſtanding the Election of Officers is annual, the Society reſerve to themſelves the Power of removing either their Secretary, Aſſiſtant Secretary, Regiſter, or Collector, by two general or extraordinary general Meetings; in which caſe the ſaid Officers ſhall be paid their Salaries in ſuch Proportions as may be then due to them.

Neither the Secretary, Aſſiſtant Secretary, the Regiſter, nor the Collector of the Subſcriptions, ſhall be Members of this Society.

No Perſon, except he ſhall have been an Officer the preceding Year, ſhall be admitted as a Candidate for any lucrative Employment, without having perſonally preſented his Petition or Memorial to the Society a Fortnight before the Day of Election; which Petition or Memorial ſhall be read immediately after the firſt, and again after the ſecond Reading of the Minutes.

A Porter ſhall be choſen or removed at any Meeting of the Society; and ſo long as he continues in their Service, he ſhall be paid a Salary of twenty-ſix Pounds a Year, and have an annual Cloathing, at an Expence not exceeding ten Pounds.

Duty of the Preſident, Vice-Preſidents, and Chairmen.

THE Duty of the Preſident, Vice-Preſidents, (in the Order they appear in the Liſt) or Chairman, is to preſide at all Meetings, with his Hat on, if he pleaſes; to regulate the Debates

of the Society; to ſtate and put Queſtions both in the Affirmative and Negative, according to the Senſe and Intention of the Meeting; to check Irregularities, and keep all Perſons in Order; to direct Summons for all extraordinary general Meetings; and to execute, or ſee to the Execution of all the Rules and Orders of the Society.

The Preſident, or any one of the Vice-Preſidents, ſhall ſign Receipts for the Subſcription Money; and any two or more of them are impowered to draw upon the Bank for ſuch Sums of Money as the Society ſhall direct.

Buſineſs of the Secretary.

HE ſhall attend all Meetings and Committees of the Society; he ſhall take down all Minutes, and produce them, fairly written, at the next enſuing Meetings. He ſhall read all Letters, and other Papers, ſent or communicated to the Society, and tranſlate them into Engliſh, if they ſhould be in another Language. He ſhall prepare all Anſwers, when ordered by the Society, in ſuch Language as ſhall be directed, and lay the ſame before the Committee appointed for their Examination. He ſhall prepare an annual hiſtorical Regiſter of the Tranſactions of the Society, beginning every Year from Midſummer Day, and ending that Day Twelvemonth. This Regiſter ſhall contain an Account of all Premiums beſtowed, with the Names of the Perſons who have received them, digeſted under proper Heads; what Premiums the Society have engaged for, the next and ſucceeding Years; the Number

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of Members, with the Amount of their Subſcriptions, and Money in Bank, as they ſtood on Midſummer Day; and what have been the Expences in Officers, Servants, Apartments, and Workmens and Tradeſmens Bills of all Sorts. This annual Regiſter ſhall likewiſe contain particular Accounts of all the Improvements in Mechanicks, Manufactures, Agriculture, etc. with ſuch Reſolutions the Society have come to, and Informations they have received, as ſhall appear to be moſt uſeful and important. The Whole to be put into proper Order, and References to the Minutes, from which the ſeveral Accounts are taken, to be inſerted in the Margin; and, after having been approved of by a Committee, to be printed for the Uſe of the Members, by the Middle of November in every Year. It is not intended that this Regiſter ſhould be read in the Society; the Care that nothing ſhould be printed, which is improper, being truſted to the Committee. He ſhall prepare all Liſts of Premiums, Liſts of Members, Advertiſements, and other Publications, ordered by the Society; and take care that the ſame be properly and correctly printed; and his Name, or that of the Aſſiſtant Secretary, as by Order of the Society, ſhall be ſigned to all Publications. He ſhall make proper Indexes to all the Books of the Society. He ſhall viſit Manufactories or apply to Manufacturers for Information, when required by the Society; and he ſhall, as much as poſſible endeavour to make himſelf acquainted with the Nature and Circumſtances of the ſeveral Arts and Manufactures of this and other Countries. And, in Conſideration of his conſtant Attendance, Abilities, and Diligence, he ſhall be

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paid a Salary of one hundred and fifty Pounds a Year.

Buſineſs of the Aſſiſtant Secretary.

THE Aſſiſtant Secretary ſhall attend at all Meetings of the Society. He ſhall likewiſe attend Committees, when particularly ordered. He ſhall tranſcribe fair all the Proceedings of the Society's Meetings and Committees in the following Books reſpectively, viz. Society's Minute Book—Committee Minute Books—Memorandum Book—Copy Book of Letters received and ſent by the Society, if ſo directed—Book of Rules and Orders—and Reward Book—And ſhall paſte all Letters and Papers in the Guard Book, when ſo ordered—All the Books and Papers of the Society ſhall be kept at their Office, for the Inſpection of the Members; and the Secretary, Aſſiſtant Secretary, and Regiſter, ſhall each of them have a Key to the Preſſes: Moreover, all Papers ſhall be copied in the ſame Office, that they may be at hand when wanted.—He ſhall tranſcribe all Letters that have been prepared by the Secretary, and approved by the Society. As a Satisfaction for ſuch Services, he ſhall be paid a Salary of fifty Pounds a Year.

Any Member, having obtained Leave to take Copies of the Proceedings or Papers of the Society, ſhall pay to the Aſſiſtant Secretary, for writing the ſame, after the Rate of two Pence for every hundred Words.

Buſineſs of the Regiſter.

THE Regiſter ſhall have an Apartment in the Houſe of the Society, that he may be ready on the Spot to receive Meſſages, Letters, and all Matters brought to the Society: to anſwer all Inquiries, and deliver Plans, Liſts, etc. to ſuch Members as ſhall come or ſend for them, of which he ſhall take care to have a ſufficient Number. He ſhall have the Cuſtody and Care of all the Furniture, Books, ſuch Papers as the Society ſhall think proper, and other Effects whatever belonging to the Society. He ſhall have the Direction of all the inferior Servants. He ſhall receive and have charge of all Matters ſent to the Society by Candidates for Premiums, and ſhall enter them properly, at the Time when delivered, in a Book for that Purpoſe. He ſhall keep a fair Inventory of all the Goods and Effects of the Society, to be always ready when called for. He ſhall keep an Account of all Stationary Ware, printed Books, Coals, Candles, and all other Particulars ſent in by Tradeſmen for the Uſe of the Society, in a Day-Book for that Purpoſe; and ſhall enter the ſame fairly, under their ſeveral Heads, in another Book, to be laid every Month before the Committee of Accompts, as a Check on Tradeſmens Bills. He ſhall attend all Meetings and Committees of the Society, and inform them of all Matters under his Department, neceſſary for them to know. For all which Services he ſhall be paid a Salary of fifty Pounds a Year.

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Moreover, twenty Pounds *per Annum* are allowed to him for Lodgings; and ſeventy Pounds to pay the Servants, for cleaning the Rooms and Furniture, and the Boys that attend the Meetings of the Society and Committees, and other incidental Charges to which he is liable.

Buſineſs of the Collector.

THE Collector ſhall give ſuch Security as the Society ſhall require, for the Truſt repoſed in him. He ſhall collect the Subſcription Money from the Members as it becomes due, paying all he collects, over and above the Sum of one hundred Pounds, into the Bank of England; which Sum of one hundred Pounds he may reſerve in his Hands, to defray the current Expences of the Society. He ſhall attend all Committees of Accompts; and at every Meeting of the Society he ſhall lay before them the Bank Book, with an Accompt of what Money he has received, paid in to the Bank, or remains in his Hands. He ſhall keep the Caſh Accompt of the Society, and draw out exact Liſts of the Members, with the Sums contributed by each, and Arrears due. For all which Services he ſhall be allowed ſix Pence in the Pound on all ſuch Contributions; but not on Legacies and particular Donations.

Meetings of the Society.

THERE ſhall be four general Meetings every Year in the great Room of the Society, at Six of the Clock in the Evening preciſely; *viz.*

on the firſt Wedneſday in May, the laſt Wedneſday in May, the ſecond Wedneſday in November, and the ſecond Wedneſday in December. At which Meetings, or at any extraordinary general Meetings, only, if twenty-five Members at leaſt are preſent, Rules and Orders for the Government of the Society may be made and altered; and ſuch Rules, Orders, and Alterations being approved at the next ſucceeding general or extraordinary general Meeting, ſhall be valid and binding.

No Propoſition ſhall be offered to the Society as Matter of new Rule and Order, or which ſhall contain in it an Alteration, or Amendment, of any eſtabliſhed Rule and Order, unleſs delivered in by a Member eight Days before a general Meeting of the Society to the Secretary, who ſhall immediately cauſe Copies to be made of it, and to be hung up in the Society and Committee Rooms: At the next general Meeting, the Secretary ſhall immediately after reading the Minutes of the preceding Meeting, read ſuch Propoſitions with a proper Pauſe after each: And if any of thoſe Propoſitions be moved and ſeconded, it ſhall then be taken into Conſideration.

An extraordinary general Meeting may be called if thirty Members at the leaſt are preſent, and the Majority ſhall deſire ſuch extraordinary general Meeting; which extraordinary general Meeting ſhall be advertiſed three Days ſucceſſively in two of the Daily Papers: And if twenty-five Members are preſent, they may proceed to Buſineſs.

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An extraordinary Meeting for the doing of common Buſineſs only, may be at any Time ordered by the Society in the ſame Method as an extraordinary general Meeting.

The ordinary Meetings of the Society ſhall be held on Wedneſday in every Week at Six of the Clock in the Evening preciſely, from the ſecond Wedneſday in October to the firſt Wedneſday in July, and from the firſt Wedneſday in July to the ſecond Wedneſday in October, there ſhall be no Meeting of the Society, unleſs called by the Preſident, or two Vice-Preſidents, on extraordinary Occaſions; and proper Notice given thereof in the Daily Papers: and if at ſuch ordinary Meetings, there ſhould be preſent eleven or more Members, they may proceed on Buſineſs; and the ſaid Meetings ſhall have Power to appoint ſuch Committees, as they think neceſſary.

Order of Proceedings of the Society.

THE Book of Rules and Orders, Liſt of Premiums, and of Members, ſhall lie upon the Table before the Preſident, or preſiding Member, at all Meetings; and before the Chairman at all Committees.

No Auditor is to be admitted at the Meetings of the Society but Foreigners or Members of the Societies of the ſame kind in Scotland and Ireland.

No Gentleman is to be admitted an Auditor after Seven o' Clock when the Society is ſitting.

At all Meetings, Buſineſs ſhall begin at Six of the Clock in the Evening, with reading the Minutes of the preceding Meeting; but no Part of ſuch Minutes ſhall be diſcuſſed, till the whole has been read through.

Candidates ſhall be balloted for, and during the Ballot the Buſineſs of the Evening ſhall be proceeded on.

The Minutes ſhall be read a ſecond Time, and no other Matter ſhall be propoſed till the ſaid Minutes have been diſcuſſed Article by Article: and all Parts of the Minutes which are not objected to, at the ſecond Reading, ſhall ſtand confirmed.

The Preſident, after the firſt, and alſo after the ſecond Reading of the Minutes, is to order that all Gentlemen, who are not Members or introduced Auditors, be deſired to withdraw. He ſhall alſo declare that no Perſon is a Member unleſs his firſt Subſcription has been paid.

Reports from Committees ſhall be made. And the Adjournment of thoſe Committees, which have not finiſhed the Buſineſs referred to them, ſhall be declared to the Society.

New Matter to be conſidered.

The Preſident, or preſiding Member, ſhall then read over to the Society the Subjects the Committees are to diſcuſs the following Days.

Letters to be read.

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No Queſtion ſhall be put on any Motion, unleſs the Motion is ſeconded.

No Motion that has been rejected ſhall be made again till after three Months from the Time of its Rejection.

No new Propoſition ſhall be entered upon after Ten of the Clock at Night.

No Member on any Pretence whatſoever ſhall be at Liberty to move that he may have Leave to make a Motion after Ten of the Clock.

No Premium ſhall be offered to the Public, until it has been approved of by a Committee, and agreed to by the Society at two Meetings; and no Premium or Bounty ſhall be given to any Candidate, unleſs the Society, at two Meetings, ſhall be ſatisfied that ſuch Candidate does really deſerve the ſame.

No Propoſition ſhall be carried into Execution, till it is approved and confirmed by the Society at two ſubſequent Meetings.

If at the ſecond Reading of a Propoſition, any Alteration ſhall be made by way of Amendment, ſuch Alteration ſhall not want the Confirmation of another Meeting, unleſs the Society ſhall increaſe a Premium, Bounty, or any other Expence; in which Caſe it ſhall require the Confirmation of another Meeting.

No Member ſhall be permitted to be on the Area or Space between the Tables, while the Society

ciety is proceeding on Buſineſs, nor ſhall any Member ſtand up within the Seats, unleſs it be to ſpeak, or to go from or return to his Place therein.

When any Member ſpeaks he ſhall ſtand up, and addreſs himſelf to the Chair, and the reſt ſhall remain ſilent.

When two or more offer to ſpeak together, the Preſident or preſiding Member ſhall determine who ſhall ſpeak firſt.

At all Meetings of the Society, no Member ſhall ſpeak more than once, on one and the ſame Queſtion, unleſs called upon from the Chair to explain himſelf.

The Member that ſpeaks to Order ſhall be firſt heard.

When a Matter is in Debate, if any Member ſpeaks to new Buſineſs, the Preſident, or preſiding Member, ſhall interrupt him.

When on any Queſtion an equal Number of Hands appear to be held up for and againſt the ſame, the Preſident or preſiding Member ſhall appoint two Members to count and report the Numbers to the Chair.

In all Meetings and Committees, the Preſident or preſiding Member ſhall only vote when the Suffrages are equal.

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The Opinion of the Society ſhall be taken by Ballot, inſtead of Hands held up, if deſired by twelve Members.

A Diviſion ſhall not be granted, but upon the Requeſt of ſix Members.

No new Matter either reſpecting the Government of the Society or the Meaſures for the Improvement of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce, ſhall be received, unleſs it be laid before the Society in Writing.

No Meeting ſhall be adjourned until the Majority of the Members preſent, upon the Queſtion being put and ſeconded, ſhall agree thereto; nor ſhall the Queſtion be put until the Names of the Candidates propoſed at ſuch Meeting have been read.

Order of Proceedings at a General or an Extraordinary General Meeting.

THE Minutes of the preceding ordinary Meeting ſhall be read.

The Preſident or preſiding Member ſhall then declare the Meeting to be a general or an extraordinary general Meeting.

The Minutes of the preceding general Meeting ſhall be read the firſt time, and after a ſhort Pauſe ſhall be read a ſecond time; when ſuch Parts as are not objected to ſhall ſtand confirmed.

New Matter relative to ſuch Meetings only may be propoſed and diſcuſſed.

If after a proper Pauſe no new Matter is propoſed, then the general or extraordinary general Meeting ſhall be adjourned to the next general Meeting in order; after which the uſual Buſineſs to go on.

Election of Members.

NO Perſon is to be propoſed for a Member, unleſs recommended by three Members; and the Name, Place of Abode, and Addition of the Perſon recommended ſhall be delivered in, ſigned by the Propoſers, which ſhall be read by the Secretary, who ſhall inſert the Name in a Liſt of Candidates, to be hung up in the Society and Committee Rooms, until the next Meeting of the Society, at which ſuch Perſons ſhall be balloted for, provided there be ſeven Days between the Meetings; the Names of the Propoſers, together with the Name and Addition of the Perſon to be balloted for, ſhall be put up on the Ticket placed on the Box during the time of ſuch Ballot; and if two thirds of the Members then voting ſhall ballot in his favour, he ſhall be deemed a perpetual Member upon Payment of Twenty Guineas at one Payment; or a ſubſcribing Member upon Payment of any Sum not leſs than Two Guineas annually. (BB)

In Election of Members a ſecond Ballot ſhall be granted, if immediately demanded.

Foreigners, or Perſons who do not reſide in England, may be elected, by Ballot, Correſponding Members of this Society, without being ſubject to any annual Payment, and ſhall be admitted to the Meetings and Committees of the Society, during their Reſidence here, provided their Reſidence does not exceed a Year at one Time; but ſhall not be permitted to vote.

Every Perſon upon his Election is to pay his Subſcription Money, or one of the Members is at Liberty to make the Depoſit in his Name, in caſe of Abſence.

Every Member ſhall pay his Subſcription Money in Arrear within one Month after he has been applied to by Letter from the Collector for that Purpoſe, according to the Copy annexed (C); and no Perſon ſhall be intitled to vote at any Meeting or Committee until his Subſcription for the current Year and all Arrears are paid.

When any Perſon is elected a Member, the Aſſiſtant Secretary ſhall immediately inform him thereof by Letter (D), and therewith ſend a printed Book of Rules and Orders, and the Liſt of Premiums.

The Names of ſuch Perſons as have not paid their firſt Subſcription Money, are to be omitted in the Liſt of Members, except thoſe whoſe Names have been already printed.

Of Committe es.

THE ſtanding Committees for the Year ſhall be declared, and the Members to conſtitute the ſame ſhall be named by the Society, at Half an Hour paſt Seven o'Clock, on the firſt Wedneſday in November, and the Chairmen thereof balloted for, at Eight the ſame Evening.

I. Committee of Accompts.
II. Committee of Correſpondence.
III. Committee of Premiums, claſſed as follows,

Polite and Liberal Arts.
Agriculture.
Manufactures.
Mechanics.
Chymiſtry, Dying and Mineralogy.
Britiſh Colonies and Trade.

Nine Committee Minute Books are to be kept, one for each of the above-mentioned Committees, and one for miſcellaneous Matters.

Two Chairmen ſhall be elected by Ballot for the Committee of Accompts, Committee of Correſpondence, and each Claſs of the Committee of Premiums, ſeverally, who ſhall preſide for that Year when preſent, in the order they are named; and in Caſe neither of the ſaid Chairmen ſhould be preſent at their reſpective Committee, any other Member ſhall be appointed by the Committee Chairman for the Occaſion.

The Chairmen of the ſeveral Committees of Premiums

Premiums ſhall be choſen from among thoſe Members who do not profeſs the Arts, Manufactures or Branches of Trade, which are the peculiar Objects of thoſe Committees.

Committees ſhall not take up any Matter unleſs referred to them by the Society.

All Committees ſhall have Power to adjourn themſelves as they think fit. And notwithſtanding particular Gentlemen are named for each Committee, every Member is of every Committee.

If a Member ſhall ſignify to the Secretary his Intention to attend any Committee, he ſhall be ſummoned to it; and the Secretary ſhall be directed to ſummon ſuch other Members, as the Chairman apprehends moſt converſant in the Buſineſs to come before them, which Buſineſs alſo ſhall be declared in the Summons. And five Members ſhall conſtitute a Committee.

In order to prevent unneceſſary Summonſes being ſent out, the Meetings of the ſeveral Committees are fixed in the following Manner.

Committees of Correſpondence and Agriculture; on *Monday*.

Colonies and Trade, and Manufactures; on *Tueſday*.

Mechanics; on *Thurſday*.

Polite Arts; on *Friday*.

Chemiſtry; on *Saturday*.

Accompts at any Time.

It is the Duty of a Chairman to obſerve that no Queſtion be put in a Committee unleſs five Members are preſent; and before any Adjournment of ſuch Committee, or Report concluded, that the Minutes be read and ſigned by the Chairman, who ſhall certify that five Members at leaſt were preſent.

The Chairman ſhall take care, that regular Meetings of the Committee be appointed, and ſhall make their Reports perfect, and without Blanks, at the next Meeting of the Society; but in Caſe, upon Appointment of a Committee, a ſufficient Number do not attend, the Chairman is required to appoint another Day; and ſhall direct the Secretary to ſummon the Committee on a future Day, at a Diſtance of not leſs than three Days incluſive.

There ſhall be conſtantly hung up in the Society Room and Committee Room a Liſt of all Committees, ſpecifying the Buſineſs they are to conſider, and the Days they are appointed to meet.

All Reports from the different Committees ſhall be made to the Society in Succeſſion, according to their reſpective Dates, unleſs when ordered otherwiſe by the Society.

Liſts of Reports that are ready to be made, or ſtanding for Confirmation, with their Dates, ſhall always be hung up in the great Room.

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Of Rewards.

WHEN any Propoſal is made for a Premium or Reward, and the Motion made and ſeconded, it ſhall be delivered to the Chair in Writing, and the ſame ſhall be read twice.

The rough Memorandum Book ſhall lie on the Table of the Society, in which, at all Times, a Member may write down any Propoſal for Premiums (or any other Matter he ſhall judge uſeful) ſigning it with his Name, or not, as he pleaſes. And the Secretary ſhall, from Time to Time, acquaint the Society, at their ordinary Meetings, with all Propoſals ſtanding in that Book.

All Matters, for which the Society ſhall henceforth propoſe Premiums, ſhall be begun after the Publication of ſuch Premiums, unleſs there be a particular Exception in the ſaid Publication.

No Motion ſhall be made for the diſpenſing with any Condition of a Premium as offered in the Advertiſements, on any Pretence whatever.

The Society reſerve to themſelves the Power of giving, in all Caſes, ſuch Part only of any Premium as the Performance ſhall be judged to deſerve.

No Premium ſhall be propoſed after the third Wedneſday in March; and no Report from a Committee for continuing an Old or eſtabliſhing a New Premium ſhall be read in the Society after the

the ſecond Wedneſday in April, on or before which day all Premiums ſhall be confirmed and finally concluded on.

No Member of this Society ſhall be a Candidate for, or intitled to receive any Premium, Bounty, or Reward whatſoever, except only the Honorary Medal of this Society.

No Member who is a Candidate for the Honorary Premium or Medal of this Society, ſhall be of the Committee, to which ſuch Matter may be referred; or ever preſent at their Sittings while the Subject is under Conſideration, unleſs called in to anſwer ſuch Queſtions as the Committee may propoſe: Nor ſhall any ſuch Candidate be preſent in the Society, when the Matter is before them, whether in Debate or for Determination, unleſs called in. Which Rules all Members, being ſuch Candidates, are ſtrictly to obſerve, under Penalty of forfeiting their Title to ſuch Medal, notwithſtanding any Determination of the Society in their Favour.

If any Member ſhall be afterwards found to have tranſgreſſed the Rules mentioned in the preceding Reſolutions, by the Means of a borrowed or fictitious Name, ſuch Member ſhall be expelled the Society.

No Member, who is the Father, or Maſter of a Candidate for a Premium, Bounty, or Reward, ſhall be of the Committee to which ſuch Matter is referred; nor preſent in the Society, when it is under Conſideration, unleſs called in, under Penalty of excluding ſuch Child, Scholar, Apprentice,

tice, or Servant, from all Title to any ſuch Premium, Bounty, or Reward; notwithſtanding a Determination of the Society in its Favour.

A Candidate for a Premium, or Perſon applying for a Bounty, being detected in any diſingenuous Methods to impoſe on the Society, ſhall forfeit any ſuch Premium or Bounty, and be deemed incapable of obtaining any for the future.

No Machine, or Model of a Machine, ſhall be admitted to claim a Premium, unleſs the Whole and every Part thereof ſhall be delivered into the Society's Office at or before the Time appointed by the Society. And if any Candidate ſhall ſecretly make an Addition to or Alteration in his Machine or Model, otherwiſe than by repairing and putting the ſeveral Parts together, after it is lodged with the Society, he ſhall, on Diſcovery, be deemed incapable of receiving any Premium.

That all Rewards may be diſtributed with the utmoſt Impartiality and Juſtice, the Names of the Claimants ſhall be concealed; and the Society ſhall, whenever they think proper, deſire the Aſſiſtance of ſuch Gentlemen, Manufacturers, or others, tho' not Members of it, as ſhall be deemed beſt able to judge of, and diſcover the Truth and Value of any Matter or Thing for which a Premium has been claimed.

No Medal or Sum of Money ſhall be given as a Bounty or Reward, for any Thing not mentioned in the Liſt of Premiums, between the firſt Wedneſday in June and the firſt Wedneſday in Novem-

ber, nor at any Time, unleſs thirty Members are preſent; and the Majority to beſtow ſuch Medal or Sum of Money, ſhall conſiſt of two Thirds, at leaſt, of the Members then preſent.

All new Rules and Orders ſhall be ſigned by the Preſident or a Vice-Preſident, and underſigned by the Secretary, and hung up in the Society Room and Committee Room for the Information of the Members, till ſuch time as they are inſerted in their proper Places in the ſubſequent printed Book of Rules and Order.

All new Rules and Orders once paſſed are to be hung up in the Society's Room till they are confirmed, with the Date when paſſed the firſt Time, and when to be confirmed.

Reſolutions.

THAT all Models of Machines, which obtain Premiums for the future, be the Property of the Society.

That in all Subjects relating to Mechanics, ſuch ample Minutes be taken, as may be uſeful for drawing up a proper and inſtructive Account of them.

In the Liſt of the Members, after the Name of each Member his Addition and Place of Abode are to be inſerted.

With the Liſt of the Premiums, an Account of all the Medals, Premiums and Bounties, which have

have been given by the Society the preceding Year, to whom and for what Purpoſes, ſhall be printed Annually.

The Committee of Correſpondence are at liberty from Time to Time to refer ſuch Letters as they eſteem proper to be referred to the reſpective Committees, without reporting them to the Society in order to be referred to ſuch Committee; except ſuch as propoſe the granting any new Premium or Bounty.

(A)

BALLOTING LIST.

PRESENT OFFICERS.

PRESIDENT.

Robert, Lord Romney, L.L.D. F.R.S.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

Charles, Duke of Richmond, &c. F.R.S.
George Henry, Earl of Litchfield.
Simon, Earl Harcourt, F.R.S.
Hugh, Earl of Northumberland. F.R.S.
Sir George Savile, Bart. F.R.S.
Charles Whitworth, *Esq*;
Edward Hooper, *Esq*; F.R.S.
George Eckerſall, *Esq*; F.R.S.
Richard Long, *Esq*;
William Fitzherbert, *Esq*; F.R.S.

SECRETARY, Dr. Peter Templeman.
ASSISTANT SECRETARY, Mr. George Box.
REGISTER, Mr. Edward Grant Tuckwell.
COLLECTOR, Mr. George Box.

PRESIDENT.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

SECRETARY.
ASSISTANT SECRETARY.
REGISTER.
COLLECTOR.

Papers referred to.

(BB)

No. 176

REceived of
the Sum of being his
contribution to the *Society for the encouragement of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce*, for one year from

£ VICE-PRESIDENT.

No. 176

REceived of
the Sum of being his
full contribution to the *Society for the encouragement of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce.*

£ VICE-PRESIDENT.

SIR, (C)

I AM directed to inform you, That your annual ſubſcription of has been in arrear ſince the day of and as it is of conſequence for the Society to know what ſums of money they can beſtow in Premiums, you are requeſted to order the payment of it.

By order of the Society,

COLLECTOR.

(D)

THIS waits on you, to inform you, that on the day of you was elected a Member of the *Society for the encouragement of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce.*

By order of the Society,

ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

N.B. In Caſe any Perſon ſhould be inclinable to leave a Sum of Money to this Society, by Will; the following Form is offered for that Purpoſe.

Item, I give and bequeath unto A. B. and C. D. the Sum of
upon Condition, and to the Intent, that they, or one of them, do pay the ſame to the Collector for the Time being of a Society in London, who now call themſelves, *the Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures, and Commerce*, which ſaid Sum of
I will and deſire, may be paid out of my perſonal Eſtate, and applied towards carrying on the laudable Deſigns of the ſaid Society.